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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of October 26, 2009 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on November 16, 2009 after a one-month extension was requested. Another one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$130 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR \$1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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